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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RE Applicants: Eifling, Ebbers) PATENTS
SN: 09/888,410) Examiner: Jacqueline F. Stephens
TITLE: CELLULOSE ABSORBENT) GAU: 3761
Filing Date: 06-26-2001) Atty. Dkt. No. 9022-P
Confirmation Number: 9483) Customer Number: 51380

STATUS REQUEST

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

P. O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sirs:

New counsel for this case is Stephen D. Carver, Reg. No. 27314. A Power of Attorney and Revocation of Power of Attorney was submitted on March 27, 2006 (copy enclosed), and on April 11, 2006 we received the Notice of Acceptance of Power of Attorney from the PTO (copy enclosed). New counsel and the Examiner have spoken about this case over the phone.

Counsel has not received copies of any PTO responses or letters, or office actions. The former attorneys (that we know of) and the client is totally confused as to the status of this case. We were told in a prior phone conference that the case may be allowed or revived, but we have no copies of anything pertaining to the status of this case. We cannot tell if there are any responses that must be made.


We desperately need the status of the case as the client has not been advised of the status by previous counsel and the records we received from previous

counsel are not clear as to the status of this case. Is there currently an amendment due? Has a notice of allowance been issued?

We have tried to phone the examiner again but apparently the phone number has been changed from the correspondence sent to previous counsel and we have been unable to contact her for a status update.

Kindly advise me at the below address as to the status of this case, and please mail copies of all PTO papers or letters of notices or office actions that require any response.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Enclosures: Copy of Power of Attorney and Revocation of Power of Attorney;
Notice of Acceptance of Power of Attorney

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 C.F.R. 1.8(1985))

The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that the foregoing Status Request and all appurtenant enclosures is/are being deposited with the United States postal service, first class postage pre-paid, in an envelope addressed to Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 3 day of May 2006.



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